Speaker. The rule tables House Resolution 941. Testimony was heard from Chairman George Miller of CA, Representatives Susan Davis of CA, Dann Davis of IL, Alcee Hastings of FL, Edwards, Stupak, Etheridge, Baird, Cooper, Tim Ryan of OH, Lincoln Davis of TN, McKeon, Castle and Shays.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D79)

H.R. 3432, to establish the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade. Signed on February 5, 2008. (Public Law 110–183)

H.R. 2110, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for tax exempt qualified small issue bonds to finance agricultural processing property. Signed on February 6, 2008. (Public Law 110–184)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the final report of the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine business transformation and financial management at the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine ways to reform the regulation of government sponsored enterprises, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert A. Sturgell, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, and Simon Charles Gros, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs, both of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the energy market effects of the recently-passed renewable fuel standard, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine selling to seniors, focusing on the need for accountability and oversight of marketing and sales by Medicare private plans, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the immediate and underlying causes and consequences of Kenya's flawed election, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Hector E. Morales, of Texas, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, Department of State, Larry Woodrow

Walther, of Arkansas, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agency, and Ana M. Guevara, of Florida, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 2:30 p.m., SD—419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert G. McSwain, of Maryland, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the Founding Fathers papers, focusing on ensuring public access to our national treasures, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review the National Veterinary Medical Service Act, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on DOD Force Health Protection, 1:30 p.m., and, executive, on Surgeon Generals of the Services, 2:30 p.m., H–140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on Department of Interior, Overview with the Secretary, 10 a.m., B–308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Capitol Visitor Center, 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Quality of Life, 2 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Department of Transportation Fiscal Year Budget Request, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on beneficiary advocacy overview, 3 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Budget, 11 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, hearing entitled "Department of Energy's Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Proposal," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "The Holocaust Insurance Accountability Act of 2007 (H.R. 1746): Holocaust Era Insurance Restitution After ICHEIC, the International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims," 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Diversity in the Financial Services Sector," 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S. Obligations under the Merida Initiative, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology, hearing entitled "Other Transaction Authority: Flexibility at the Expense of Accountability?" 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, oversight hearing on the Department of Justice, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Visas for Foreign Scholars and Students, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3916, To provide for the next generation of border and maritime security technologies; H.R. 4847, United States Fire Administration Reauthorization Act of 2007; and H.R. 5161, Green Transportation Infrastructure Research and Technology Transfer Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "The Small Business Administration's Budget for Fiscal Year 2009, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Federal Aviation Administration Budget, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn. Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Agency Budgets and Priorities for Fiscal Year 2009, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2009, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on President Bush's budget proposals for fiscal year 2009, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on World Wide Threats, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to continue hearings to examine anti-Semitism in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) region, 2:30 p.m., SD—406.